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SENATOR SCHMIT: (mike not activate). . . Mr. President.

SENATOR CARSTEN: But it is dedicated to the salary increase?

SENATOR SCHMIT: That is right.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Okay, thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: I also have a question for Senator Schmit. Senator Schmit, could you tell me what kind of funds this would raise? Revenues these would raise?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes Senator, the three dollar fee will raise about \$200,000 in the municipal court in Omaha, Nebraska, which is more than adequate to take care of that. It will raise about \$100,000 in muny court in Lincoln, which is adequate there. The district court fees will raise between \$100,000 and \$125,000 and the county court fees will raise between \$600,000 and \$675,000. That will provide plenty of funds for the first two years. It may. . . there may be a little bit of a shortage by the third year but if so, we might have to come back and raise those fees some more by the third year.

SENATOR PIRSCH: You are not changing fees for the Supreme Court?

SENATOR SCHMIT: No.

SENATOR PRISCH: No? Okay. Also, this is based on the, on what facts? On the previous fines? Or docket fees?

SENATOR SCHMIT: The previous fees yes. The previous fees in the muny court were \$15 and that is raised to \$18. The district court. . .

SENATOR PIRSCH: No, I mean you are basing this on what was the workload in the past. You just increased that percentage-wise.

SENATOR SCHMIT: The fee is based just upon the per docket fee. It is a fee per docket, a fee per case.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Yes, and you used the number of . . .

SENATOR SCHMIT: Oh yes, upon the number of cases in the past. That is right.